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SUBJECT: DEPARTURE STATEMENT BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DERIAN

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESS STATEMENT ISSUED BY MS DERIAN
ON DEPARTURE FROM JAKARTA JANUARY 14:

BEGIN TEXT: I WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY BEFORE LEAVING
INDONESIA TO SAY A FEW WORDS. THIS WAS MY FIRST VISIT TO
INDONESIA AND I REGRET VERY MUCH THAT I COULD NOT STAY LONGER
AND SEE MORE OF THIS BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY AND ITS HOSPITAL PEOPLE.

I HAVE BEEN RECEIVED WITH WARMTH AND OPENNESS BY INDONESIAN
GOVERNMENT LEADERS AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS WITH WHOM I HAVE MET.
I APPRECIATE IN PARTICULAR THE COURTESY OF PRESIDENT SUHARTO IN
MAKING ROOM FOR ME ON HIS CROWDED WEEKEND CALANDAR. I HAVE
HAD USEFUL CONVERSATIONS NOT ONLY WITH THE PRESIDENT BUT ALSO
WITH MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER MOCHTAR
KUSUMAATMADJA; MINISTER OF STATE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS WIDJOJO
NISTISASTRO; AND ADMIRAL SUDOMO OF THE COMMAND FOR RESTORATION
AND ORDER. I WAS ALSO PARTICULARLY PLEASED TO MEET WITH PRIVATE
CITIZENS ACTIVE IN THE FIELDS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMAN NEEDS.

THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT ALSO ENABLED ME TO VISIT
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THE SALEMBA REHABILITATION CENTER, AND I UNDERSTAND I WAS ABLE
TO SEE ALL OF THE DETAINEES. I APPRECIATE THIS OPPORTUNITY BUT
WAS SADDENED BY THE EXPERIENCE. I ALSO SPOKE WITH A FEW FORMER
DETAINEES WHO HAVE BEEN RELEASED AND WHO APPEAR TO BE RESUMING A
PRODUCTIVE ROLE IN SOCIETY.

MY PURPOSE IN COMING TO INDONESIA WAS TO LEARN AT FIRST HAND
ABOUT THE INITIATIVES THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN IN THE

FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS. I WAS BRIEFED ABOUT THE RELEASE OF 10,000 POLITICAL PRISONERS THAT TOOK PLACE IN DECEMBER. I WAS INFORMED OF PLANS TO CONTINUE AND POSSIBLY ACCELERATE THESE RELEASES. I WAS ALSO INFORMED OF STEPS BEING CONSIDERED FOR ESTABLISHING DUE PROCESS OF LAW AND LEGAL PROTECTIONS FOR ALL. I WAS ABLE TO SEE FOR MYSELF THE VIGOR OF YOUR FREE PRESS. I WAS ALSO INFORMED OF THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS TO PROVIDE FOOD AND MEET OTHER HUMAN NEEDS THROUGHOUT YOUR COUNTRY. I ALSO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO DESCRIBE THE HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES, AS EXPRESSED BY PRESIDENT CARTER AND HIS ADMINISTRATION, AND BY THE CONGRESS WITH THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WHO FEEL THAT THIS POLICY NOT ONLY EXPRESSES THE PRINCIPLES AND VALUES WE BELIEVE IN - BUT THE VALUES OF ALL PEOPLE EVERYWHERE. I PROVIDED THE INFORMATION ON OUR LAWS WHICH AFFECT ECONOMIC AND OTHER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, FROM THE U.S. DIRECTLY, AND THROUGH THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

I SOUGHT TO MAKE CLEAR THAT THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT SEEK TO IMPOSE ITS VIEWS ON OTHERS. RATHER WE ARE TALKING ABOUT UNIVERSAL STANDARDS AND BELIEFS, SUPPORTED BY MANY NATIONS AND THE UNITED NATIONS, AND EXPRESSED IN SUCH DOCUMENTS AS THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT COUNTRIES DIFFER IN THEIR HISTORY AND STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT. BUT THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES EXPRESSED IN THESE DOCUMENTS -- DUE PROCESS OF LAW FOR THE INDIVIDUAL, SAFEGUARDS AGAINST ARBITRARY EXERCISE OF POWER AND DETENTION WITHOUT TRIAL AND BASIC ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RIGHTS -- ARE AND OUGHT TO BE UNIVERSAL.

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